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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 20, 2005, with respect to the above-identified application, Applicants elect to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 1-54, and 63-73, drawn to a method or system for servicing a wellbore wherein a loop system is utilized to convey steam or fluids down the wellbore, classified in class 166, subclass 303.